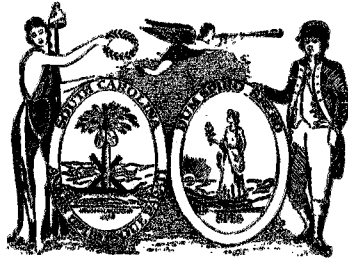


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WHEREAS, the Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) and Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) primarily support child and family services, particularly services provided to those on Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF); and

WHEREAS, currently the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) administers both CCDF and SSBG despite the fact that the Department of Social Services (DSS) is the primary provider of these services and DSS also administers the TANF Block Grant which is the state welfare to work program, and other child and family services in South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, placing CCDF and SSBG at DSS is consistent with the statutory mission of DSS to "administer the public welfare activities and functions of the State . . . and administer any federal funds granted the State in the furtherance of the duties imposed," and such placement furthers the statutory aim of DSS "to promote the unified development of welfare activities" in South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, transferring administration of CCDF and SSBG from DHHS to DSS will enhance the efficiencies of administering these federal programs and achieve cost-savings; and

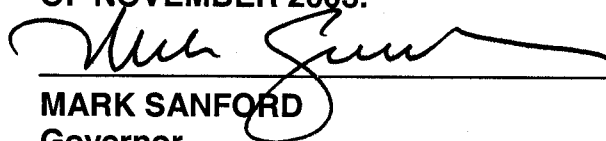
WHEREAS, transferring CCDF and SSBG is consistent with the restructuring philosophy of placing programs together based on function rather than form, while also providing taxpayers with the highest quality services at the lowest possible cost through eliminating duplication and streamlining management.

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I hereby order the Directors of the Departments of Health and Human Services and Social Services to take all steps necessary to transfer administration of the Child Care Development Fund and the Social Services Block Grant Program from the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services to the South Carolina Department of Social Services.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.



**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF
SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 17th DAY
OF NOVEMBER 2003.**



MARK SANFORD
Governor

ATTEST: 

MARK HAMMOND
Secretary of State